**IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM**

**PRESENT :**

**THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.S.RADHAKRISHNAN**
**&**
**THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANTONY DOMINIC**

**MONDAY, THE 18TH JUNE 2007 / 28TH JYAISHTA 1929**

**WA.No. 389 of 2007()**
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**AGAINST THE JUDGEMENT/ORDER IN WPC.27805/2006 Dated 25/10/2006**
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**APPELLANT: RESPONDENTS 1 & 2**
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**1. KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD-**
**REP. BY ITS SECRETARY, VAIDHYUTHI BHAVAN,**
**PATTOM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.**

**2. THE CHIEF ENGINEER (HUMAN RESOURCES**
**MANAGEMENT), KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD,**
**VAIDHYUTHI BHAVAN, PATTOM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.**

**BY ADV. SRI.N.N.SUGUNAPALAN(SR.)SC,KSEB**
**SRI.S.SUJIN**

**RESPONDENTS: PETITIONER & RESPONDENTS 3 & 4**
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**1. JAMES WILSON, S/O.V.X.WILSON,**
**AGED 37 YEARS, ASSISTANT ENGINEER (CIVIL),**
**INTER STATE WATER CELL, FORESTS & ENVIRONMENT**
**MANAGEMENT UNIT, VAIDYUTHI BHAVAN,**
**PATTOM (P.O.), THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.**

**2. P.B.SURESH,**
**ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,**
**BUILDINGS & STORES DIVISION,**
**K.S.E.B. ANGAMALY.**

**3. JOSEPH E.J., ASSISTANT ENGINEER (CIVIL),**
**ELECTRICAL CIRCLE, K.S.E.B., THRISSUR.**

**BY SRI.P.P.JNANASEKHARAN FOR R1**

**THIS WRIT APPEAL HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 18/06/2007, ALONG WITH WA NOS.390 OF 2007 AND WA NO. 415 OF 2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:**

**K.S.RADHAKRISHNAN & ANTONY DOMINIC, JJ.**
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**W.A. Nos.389, 390 & 415 OF 2007**
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**Dated this the 18th day of June, 2007**

**J U D G M E N T**

**Radhakrishnan, J.**

In all these cases respondents were appointed as Sub Engineers through direct recruitment. The only question to be decided is whether their seniority has to be fixed reckoning the date of their joining duty or dates of advise by the PSC. It is an admitted position that parties in these cases were appointed as Sub Engineers on the advise of the PSC and hence the seniority has to be reckoned as per Rule 27(c) of the K.S & S.S.R. Learned Single Judge has rightly held so in the facts and circumstances of the case. We are not called upon to decide the interse seniority between the direct recruits and promotees to the post of Sub Engineers in these cases and hence we express no opinion.

Writ appeals are disposed of as above.

**K.S.RADHAKRISHNAN, JUDGE.**

**ANTONY DOMINIC, JUDGE.**

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